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| Renato CARETTA | |
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| Filed: September 28, 2001 |) Examiner: Johnstone, A. |
| For: A CARCASS STRUCTURE FOR TYRES FOR VEHICLE WHEELS, AND A TYRE COMPRISING SAID CARCASS STRUCTURE | RECENED TO TO |
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Sir:

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION **DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. This Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement ("SSIDS") supplements the Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 28, 2001, and the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 16, 2001, and is being filed, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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Applicant would like to point out to the Examiner the following seven pending patent applications that may be related to the present application:

- (1) U.S. patent application No. 09/873,330, filed June 5, 2001 (corresponding to U.S. patent application publication No. US-2001-0023737-A1);
- (2) U.S. patent application No. 09/885,092, filed June 21, 2001 (corresponding to U.S. patent application publication No. US-2001-0042587-A1);
- (3) U.S. patent application No. 09/970,221, filed October 2, 2001 (corresponding to U.S. patent application publication No. US-2002-0011297-A1);
- (4) U.S. patent application No. 09/840,095, filed April 24, 2001 (corresponding to U.S. patent application publication No. US-2002-0029841-A1);
- (5) U.S. patent application No. 09/983,671, filed October 25, 2001 (corresponding to U.S. patent application publication No. US-2002-0056498-A1);
- (6) U.S. patent application No. 10/223,353, filed August 20, 2002 (corresponding to U.S. patent application publication No. US-2002-0189737-A1); and
 - (7) U.S. patent application No. 09/364,099, filed July 30, 1999 (not published).

Additionally, Applicant would like to point out to the Examiner the following three patents that may be related to the present application:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 6,318,432, issued November 20, 2001;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 6,328,084, issued December 11, 2001; and
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,457,504, issued October 1, 2002.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or

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constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim(s) in the application and Applicant determines that the cited document(s) do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the Patent Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document(s).

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this SSIDS, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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